Ouimet Again Best of Amateur Golfers

Wood Sixth.

Who are the country's leading amateur golfers? After nearly a year of competitive activity, beginning in the South last winter and ending with the recent Lakewood gathering, players have been continuously "showing their wares," so to speak, but while their efforts in minor or local contests naturally call for certain consideration, it is really the national championships to which the critic should turn his attention when seeking to get the class of the lot.

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In the absence of an official list it has long been the writer's annual custom to rate the players, preferring to name those who, in his judgment, are the first sixteen. Judging by the way some rush to the front with selections, their calculations are based solely on the championships. Frequently much of importance takes place after these United States Golf Association affairs, which is one reason why this list never appears before December.

There are those who only consider the players from year to year, a plan that to the writer has never seemed fair. When a golfer drops completely from the public eye he is, of course, hard to deal with satisfactorily, and in the event of his absence extending over a long period, say for two or three years, the best thing to do is to leave him out of one's calculations.

No Easy Problem.

As a result of the outcome of the national amateur and open championship tournaments students of form find themselves confronted with a none too easy problem. In other words, Francis Ouimet won the amateur title, while Charles W. Evans, jr., the Western Golf Association champion, came within an ace of capturing the open crown. Had Evans won the open instead of finishing a stroke behind Walter Hagen there might have been a different story to tell, but as it is, Ouimet unquestion, aby deserves the distinction of again heading the list.

Truly, the Woodland golfer has a great record—last year winning the open and this year the amateur. Besides making a good showing at Mid-

wooden clubs were working satisfac-torily. After defeating Eben M. Byers, torily. After defeating Eben St. Byens, who had previously removed Evans, Travers worked his way to the final. The mechanical accuracy of Ouimet few openings, and towgave Travers few openings, and tow-ard the close the Jerseyman practically defeated himself.

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Summing it up, Travers, though possessing, as he does, an ideal match play temperament, appears to be no longer master of all his clubs. Against a slightly inferior golfer the resource-fulness of the Upper Montclair man frequently enables him to turn seeming defeat into victory, but this ability to pull one's self out of tight places avails little when one is opposed to a master. Outmet defeated Travers decisively at Ekwanok, and repeated when they met s few weeks later in the Lesley Cup match at Baltusrol. Even so, Travers should be rated no worse than third.

Woodland Player Averaged Less than 80 in All His Rounds.

EVANS DESERVING

OF SECOND PLACE

Travers Rated Third, Fownes
Fourth, Travis Fifth and Wood Sixth.

the semi-final. Always a close student of the game, Fownes never hesitates to depart from custom, and that recalls his experimenting a number of years ago with long shafted clubs. Fownes is placed fourth on the list.

A comparison of the ratings of this "big four" with the leading quartet a year Travers was second and Evans third, so it will be seen that they have now changed places. Fownes, partly because of his fine showing at Manchester, has been brought up from tenth to fourth, thereby displacing Warren K. Wood.

Though unequal to the task of wading through a championship field, Wal-

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Truly, the Was year winning a post showing at Midolothian, Ouimet won the Massachusetts championship, to say nothing of a number of minor tournaments. He really approaches the ideal golfer nearer than any one yet developed in this country. Match or medal play, it is all one to him. There is not a club in his bag that he cannot play in most approach has success on a sesting course than over hinks over which his performances and head head and head of links over which his performances are made. More credit should go with a success on a testing course than over some layout abounding in a succession of leveling holes. Outmet scored most of leveling holes. Outmet scored most of leveling holes. Outmet scored most of list brilliant successes on difficult links, and it is worthy of the property of the links of the considerably below 80 for all his rounds.

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tournament appearance prior to the United States Golf Association meeting at Ekwanok.

After winning impressively over the links of the Mohawk club, Jerry prepared for Manchester. He got into the best of condition, and apparently his best of condition, and apparently his condense the ware working satisfactors. D. E. Sawyer, one of the best of the Chicago amateurs, played enough dur-

Chicago amateurs, played enough during the last season to come more or less before the public eye. The only reason he was not on this list a year ago was because of the infrequency of his appearances. This year Sawyer won the Wilmington tournament, and he also reached the semi-final round of the Western championship, losing to Evans. Sawyer is placed thirteenth.

CLINTON BOYS PROTEST Say Checking at P. S. A. L.

Run Was Faulty.

A protest against the checking of the finish of the recent 'cross-country championship run of the Public Schools Athletic League has been sent

BIG FOUR OF THE GOLFING WORLD ON PERFORMANCES OF THE 1914 SEASON



PROMISES COMFORT

FOR THE GOLFERS

It further recommends to form the feath great of the first less be transplasted to form the feath great for next year's play.

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The poise across the curling pond ought to be removed during the golf season, as they are directly in the line of play to the eleventh green.

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As to physical conditions and improvements:
The committee recommends that at every test these be established in place of the ordinary sand-hox now in use a compact arrangement, or stand, with sandbox, water bucket, brush and fowel, its chief advantage is that through its adoption balls and in the standard points.

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Tigers Seeking Cure for Football Ills

Grads and Students Unite in Favoring One-Man Coaching System.

POE MAKES ATTACK ON TEAM'S DEFENCE

Dillon Suggests Committee of Alumni and Captain Be Formed to Pick Coach.

Princeton is in such a state of mind concerning its football affairs that it has taken to symposiums to discover some royal road to victories. "The Alumni Weekly" began by writing to all the members of the 1914 team, asking them their views of the Princeton coaching aystem and possible changes, and now "The Princetonian" has taken the matter up and is printing a series of letters from famous football graduates of Princeton, and outside experts as well.

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All the opinion, both graduate and undergraduate, seems to be pretty well agreed that a one-man coaching system would be beneficial, but there is no great unanimity as to the type of man needed and little mention of any particular person who would fill the bill.

Logan Cunningham, '11; Fred Tibbott, '09, and Steve McClave, '03, were among the possible candidates named by undergraduates, but the graduates fought pretty shy of committing themselves definitely to any ene man. The players of the 1914 team take a crack, one and all, at Princeton's kicking game this season, and favor a more radical offensive policy. One of the men, in discussing both coach and policy best suited for Princeton football, said:

Qualifications Outlined.

players. The driving force bealing play is what really counts. Snap and dash, aggressiveness and the fighting spirit are the real secrets of success. All of the great football men of this, and, indeed, of every scason, invariably possess these essential characteristics.

"One of the chief tasks, in my opinion, therefore, of the coaches should be to instil these traits into each player and to eliminate from the team every one who fails to exhibit them.

Development of Individual.

writes:

"May not the situation at Princeton be dominated by one man as fully as be dominated by one man as fully as be influenced, and oftentimes is, large by the views and theories of one man, and that is usually so if the best share of the work is done by that same one man. Hasn't Princeton been through the one-man system, and hasn't she, or has she, found it satisfactory?"

WILL MEET HERE

Princetonian" that he intends to make certain suggestions to the athletic board of control, and, therefore, does not care to discuss them at present. He puts himself, however, squarely behind the one-man system. His letter, in part, follows:

"As is customary after a losing year, criticism is broadcast. Our season has proven to be most unsatisfactory, and I am very sorry to see Captain Ballin's team go on record with the Harvard and Yale defeats. We are well aware of the fact that Princeton had excellent material this year.

"Whether or not the present coaching system at Princeton shall continue is entirely up to the Athletic Board of Control. Our present system has not produced results. It was hoped to be the ideal system. We have an athletic committee, consisting of representative members of the faculty, graduates and undergraduates, who are without doubt giving this matter serious consideration, and if they are anxious for a change in policy their committee alone can make it possible. Therefore, all

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"I am not in favor of discussing here in a letter all my views on the Princeton football situation, as I shall take these matters up with the Athletic Board of Control, but I do, however, desire to state that I believe absolutely in the one-man system. Football has become a regular business, and, as in any regular business, one man must stand at the head. There should never be considered at any time any man but a Princeton football man for the position.

"Princeton has numerous men who can handle this job successfully, but

can handle this job successfully, but when such a man is chosen he must make football his regular business and give his entire time to this work. Such a man must be well paid, and this man should, I believe, have entire selection of the coaches under him."

Dillon Attacks Old Scheme.

Edward Dillon writes that he has always been a believer in the one-man coaching system, and declares that the old scheme of things is certainly dead.

"The old saying, Too many cooks spoil the broth,' is applicable, especially to developing a football team. I do not mean to say by this that I believe one man should attempt to do all the coaching, but that he should

all the coaching, but that he should have absolute control of it. A good man, given this responsibility, will feel it keenly, knowing that he is personally responsible for success or failure.

"I worked nine years with Keene Fitzpatrick, know his worth as a man, at the sid and account man, and the sid and account man he can Fitzpatrick, know his worth as a man, and the aid and encouragement he can give to a coach. A team with the spirit that the Princeton team always has certainly deserves to win, and will win, but should be made to feel its offensive strength and not depend so much for victory on the weakers, and mistakes

victory on the weakness and mistakes of opponents."

J. L. Cooney, of the class of '07, is not certain that salvation will be found in the one-man system. He writes:

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Gen. Wood to Attend Big Schoolboy Games

General Leonard Wood, commander of the United States Army, Department of the East, will, as a representative of the President of the United States, review and inspect the Olympic parade which will precede the track and field events of the eleventh annual elementary schools indoor championships at Madison Square Garden on Saturday afternoon, December 19, conducted by the Public Schools Athletic League.

General Wood wants to know from close and personal observations the physical fitness of the city youth, and the using this opportunity to ascertain

Another Defeat for the One-Year Rule

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 12. The proposed uniform one-year rule received a crushing defeat in the convention of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association here to-day.

On a rollcall vote the result was 17 to 5 against the amendment, which would have compelled all institutions in the association to comply with its provisions and refrain from playing their freshmen students on 'varsity football teams.

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